

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No. 09/739,645	Applicant(s) KOMURA ET AL.	
	Examiner Carl Colin	Art Unit 2136	

All Participants:

- (1) Carl Colin.
(2) Luminita A. Todor.

Status of Application: _____

- (3) Reginald Lucas.
(4) _____

Date of Interview: 21 November 2006
Time: _____

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
103 Rejection

Claims discussed:
16 and 17

Prior art documents discussed:
Torii et al, 5,761,308

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:
See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Examiner contacted attorney's representative Luminita A. Todor and suggested cancelling claims 16 and 17 to expedite the prosecution of the application. Examiner provided citations of Torii in column 9, line 35 through column 10, line 10 for disclosing the claimed invention as claimed in claims 16 and 17 and provided definitions in the dictionary to show that Torii discloses refund of payment or money that meets the broad and reasonable interpretation of "rewarding" as claimed in claims 16 and 17. Attorney's representative indicated that she needs Applicant(s)' approval who live(s) in a Foreign country before agreeing with the Examiner's suggestion.